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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

## Examiner Elve:

In response to the Office Action dated 07/25/2006, Applicant submits the following remarks and amendments, currently due on a statutory period for response expiring on 10/25/2006. It is believed that no extension of time is necessary.

The Examiner has stated, on the Office Action Summary that Claims 19-29 and 38-40 are pending, and Claims 19-29 and 38-40 are rejected. As Claim 19 has been previously canceled, Applicant will assume that the Summary should read: "Claims 20-29 and 38-40 are pending. Claims 20-29 and 38-40 are rejected."

This response is organized as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are reflected in the paragraph on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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